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Skydive duo raise £2,000 for cancer charities

By Danielle Thompson

Donald Warbuton on his 15,000ft skydive on Saturday

TWO plucky work colleagues who took the plunge by jumping out of a light aircraft at 15,000–ft at the weekend have raised more than £2,000 for cancer charities.

Donald Warburton and Nichola Tilley, who both work at Hunters Funeral Directors in Burscough Street, Ormskirk, took on the skydiving challenge at the Black Knight Parachute Centre in Lancaster to raise money for Marie Curie and Cancer Research UK.

And to date, Donald has raised more than £1,350 for Marie Curie while Nichola has raised nearly £700 for Cancer Research UK.

Funeral service arranger, Donald, said: "Each day we deal with families who have sadly lost relatives to terminal illnesses and hear a lot about the wonderful care they have received from Marie Curie nurses.

"As the majority of their funding comes from charitable donations, Nichola and I wanted to do our bit so that Marie Curie and Cancer Research UK can continue to provide excellent care and conduct vital research.

"It was absolutely brilliant to do the skydive – I really loved it. It was a lovely, sunny day and we were waiting to do the dive, chatting with our friends and families. We jumped at 15,000 ft – which is around three miles high – and this meant a one–minute freefall which was spectacular.

"It was brilliant to do our bit for charity and to have such an amazing experience."

Nichola added: "We would like to thank everyone who has sponsored us to take part in the skydive and we know that both charities will appreciate every penny raised."

Meaghan Annear, senior corporate account manager for Marie Curie, said: "We are very grateful to Nichola and Donald for taking on this brave challenge. The money they raise will enable Marie Curie to continue providing care and support to terminally ill patients and their families around the UK."

ANYONE wishing to add to the pair's fundraising total can do so by visiting www.justgiving.com and searching for Don–Warburton or Nichola–Tilley.

STUDENTS BULLIED BY LANDLORDS – CLAIMS UNION

Report by Danielle Thompson

STUDENTS' union officials at Edge Hill claim that students at the university are the victims of 'bullying' tactics by landlords.

And they have raised concerns that some are facing severe financial difficulties as a result of what they termed "unscrupulous" practices in the private rental sector.

Among the problems reported by students are extortionate fees being charged for minor tasks.

These include a 'professional clean' of a two–bedroomed flat costing £160, a £95 charge for cleaning an oven, £90 for removing marks on walls made by beds or sticking materials and £70 added to one bill to re–silicone a bath.

Guidelines issued by the Association of Residential Letting Agents point out that factors such as the condition of the property on occupancy, reasonable expected use of it, and length of tenancy should be considered when levying charges.

Students also claim that deposit charges are held back by unscrupulous operators to drastically reduce the three–month objection period they have under law after their tenancy has ended.

Edge Hill student union president Steve Rouke

Students' union welfare vice–president at Edge Hill, Lauren Blundell, said: "Some landlords and agents are very fair and progressive, others unfortunately are anything but that. Some are brusque and bullying and are acting with a wilful disregard to recognised standards of practice, or possibly even the law.

"They try to recover often ridiculous charges for work we believe they should not even be charging for in the first place.

"Another unscrupulous tactic is to initially make a huge demand running into thousands but then claim the landlord will accept a lower fee of several hundred in the hope that students will be so grateful they simply roll over without questioning the charge's validity."

One 21–year–old business student, who doesn't want to be identified, said he and his housemates had received more than £1,000 in charges. He said: "They still charged us nearly £300 to apparently clean up, nearly £700 to re–paint walls and more than £100 to re–silicone the showers. The charges are unrealistic and extortionate."

Now Edge Hill students' union president, Steve Rouke, is appealing to any students who have had similar experience this year or last to come forward.

He said: "We are very keen to hear from any of our members who are going through this now or have done in the last couple of years. We want to collate the information so we can present it and then prevent it from happening again.

"Our members, or indeed any students for that matter, should not be seen as an easy target, we won't let them be."

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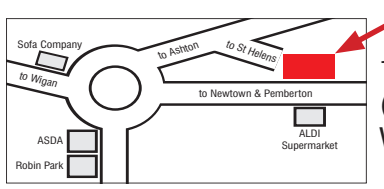

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Women workers losing out in 'fair' pay stakes

TUC says majority of part–time female employees in borough don't earn Living Wage

Report by **Henry James**

MORE than 70 per cent of women in West Lancashire working part–time earn less than the Living Wage, according to TUC statistics.

The figures, published as part of the Part–time Equal Pay Day campaign, show the borough having the highest proportion of women in the North West (71.6%) working part–time for less than the Living Wage, and the fourth highest in the UK.

The TUC said with women accounting for almost three–quarters of Britain's six million–strong part–time workforce, the lack of skilled, decently–paid, part–time jobs affects their pay and career prospects far more than it does men.

Union chiefs are also concerned that despite three years of stronger economic growth, many working women still remain trapped in in–work poverty.

And they say that although the Chancellor has introduced a minimum wage premium for over–25s, this is still well below the Living Wage and will be undermined by new cuts to tax credits.

Lynn Collins

At the start of the year a survey by the TUC showed nearly half of all women workers in West Lancashire are paid less than the Living Wage.

A report by the GMB Union also listed the 10 local authority areas in England and Wales with the highest proportion of jobs paying less than the Living Wage in 2014 with West Lancs fourth on the list.

TUC regional secretary, Lynn Collins, said: "Working part–time shouldn't mean poverty pay but for lots of women in the North West that is the reality.

"The Living Wage was created to provide workers with a basic standard of living. However, many part–time women in our region earn well below £7.85 an hour and now face being hit by the Chancellor's cuts to tax credits which will wipe out any gains from his new minimum wage premium.

"Our labour market is failing to deliver for many women. Those looking to work part–time or on a flexible basis are too often restricted to low–level and low–paid positions that do not make the most of their skills. Lots are forced to trade down when they start a family.

"If we don't create better opportunities and increase wages for part–time staff then women will continue to bear the brunt of in–work poverty."

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Neighbours team up to fight HMO plans

By **Danielle Thompson**

ANGRY neighbours have teamed together to submit a 'mass objection' to plans to create a house of multiple occupancy on a residential street in Ormskirk.

Applicants, the Dunlin Group from Southport, submitted a planning application to West Lancashire Borough Council in August to change the use of the property in Church Hill Road into a five–bedroomed house of multiple occupancy (HMO).

The Church Hill Road Residents Association have now submitted a petition containing the signatures of 45 residents opposing the proposals.

Copies of the petition have been handed in to the borough council, the Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Nikki Hennessey and West Lancs MP, Rosie Cooper.

The residents have raised concerns about increased traffic, parking and congestion and about potentially increased noise and anti–social behaviour.

Paul Rainbird, acting secretary of the association, said: "Earlier this week we submitted a petition containing the signatures of virtually every resident of the road to object to a planning application for a HMO.

"If passed, the application will allow the property to be divided up to provide accommodation for five persons and with such limited parking it is feared that the road will become congested and make the junction with Halsall Lane a considerably more dangerous place.

Church Hill Road in Ormskirk

"Residents have also raised fears about potential nuisance behaviour or the property becoming run down and affecting their quality of life."

A spokesperson for the association added: "We are a very close and family–orientated community and we all love living here.

"Whilst we welcome any new residents, we already have a significant problem with parking and access so with a potential for up to five more cars and the cars of others visiting it can only make things much worse.

"We have also witnessed the problems caused by a lack of effective policing of such properties in other areas leading to environmental decline and noise issues and we are keen to ensure it doesn't happen in our beloved road."

The consultation period for residents to submit their views on the planning application ends tomorrow (Thursday, September 10).

Parbold turns out to meet The Dragon – one of the highlight of the Street Festival. Code1084027

Village's first street festival proves a crowd–puller

MORE than 8,000 people flocked to the two–day Parbold Street Festival of Arts and Music.

Dave Reid and Steve Morgan of community group Parbold Unlimited organised the event on Saturday and Sunday, September 5 and 6, in conjunction with West Lancs Council and Parbold Community Association.

Andy and Sharon Shaw of Artifact, together with local writer, Sarah Schofield, developed ideas from the two village schools to create the Legend of Parbold Hill which was enacted on the Big Stage and with processions through the village on both days.

Other attractions included a beer and gin festival, hog roast and cider event, fairground organ, children's bouncy playground, stalls and street entertainers, while on Saturday night, barges along the canal were lit up with fairy lights to create a Festival of Light.

On Sunday there was an outdoor church service on the Big Stage and a duck race on the canal, with Lancashire Fire Service supplying the 'waves' with a pump and water hose.

Dave Reid said: "We are overwhelmed with the numbers who attended the festival. It was great to see so many people, young and old, having fun in the village. Hopefully this event will continue to grow over the coming years."

Bogus workmen stole £150 from OAP and son

POLICE are appealing for information to help track down a pair of 'bogus workmen' who stole £150 from an elderly woman and her son.

The men called at the victims' home in Briars Brook, Lathom at around 10.30am on Friday, August 28, offering to clean the gutters of the roof.

They were invited in by the 83–year–old resident and her 50–year–old son and while one of the men occupied them in the living room, the other searched the property and stole about £150 in cash. They then left and drove off in a silver or blue saloon car.

Both men were described as white and in their early to mid–30s.

The first man was about 6ft tall with a slender build and was wearing a dark baseball cap with no logo, a black, long–sleeved top, mid blue jeans that were tight around the ankles and bright red trainers.

The second man was approximately 5ft 5ins tall with a stocky build and was clean–shaven with short–cropped brown hair. He is believed to have been wearing a long–sleeved, denim shirt.

PC Andrew Simpson of Lancashire Constabulary said: "These men have approached the victims' property under the guise of carrying out maintenance work before entering their house and stealing from them.

"I am appealing to anyone who may have seen these two men in the area and might have any information that could assist with our enquiries to get in touch. If anyone has been approached in a similar way then please do contact us.

"This incident also serves as a timely reminder to residents to remain vigilant at all times. If you have any suspicions about anyone knocking on your door claiming to be workmen, our advice would be to call us and not to allow them into your home."

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Concern over voluntary sector funding switch

Councillor says move from three–year to one–year format will lead to uncertainty

Report by **Henry James**

THE leader of the independent Our West Lancashire group says West Lancs Council's decision to switch from three–year funding of voluntary sector organisations to one–year funding will lead to uncertainty.

Derby ward councillor Adrian Owens spoke out after the council invited voluntary organisations in the borough to apply for one–year revenue funding starting April 1, 2016.

Councillor Owens, who used to run a charity in Liverpool, said: "It's worrying that the Labour council are switching from the three–year funding of our voluntary sector organisations to one–year funding.

"Those charities such as the West Lancashire Disability Helpline need to plan ahead, not be drip–fed funding.

"It's good that the possibility of funding is being advertised and the commissioning of services should be considered, but

Councillor Owens

Labour has past history on this. They cut funding to groups like Citizens Advice Bureau the last time they ran the council and it adds further uncertainty for these groups and the people they serve, that the council won't even say that the overall budget for the voluntary sector is protected next year.

"These groups support some of the most vulnerable in our community and Our West Lancashire has said we would protect the overall budget for the voluntary sector because we have identified savings on senior management costs and councillor allowances, along with additional income from owning and operating retail properties.

"Will the Labour council make the same commitment to protect the vulnerable in our community who rely on Dial a Ride, Age UK, Disability Helpline and other groups?"

A borough council spokesman responded: "Following a recent review the council has updated its approach to the way in which it awards voluntary grants to our local charitable organisations.

"The way organisations apply for funding has been modified to promote further inclusivity and in order to ensure that funding continues to be targeted in the most appropriate and effective ways.

"A decision was taken to shorten the duration of financial support in the first instance so that the success of the new approach can be closely monitored."

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Britain's Got Talent singer to guest at Aughton event

A SINGER–songwriter who made an impression on TV's Britain's Got Talent programme will be a guest at the Aughton equivalent on Saturday, September 19.

Paul Manners approached the organisers of Aughton's Got Talent with an offer to sing and help out at the event which is being held to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Performing his own song, Hold You In My Arms, Paul appeared on the third episode of this year's Britain's Got Talent and received 'yes' votes from judges, David Walliams, Alesha Dixon and Amanda Holden.

Aughton's Got Talent organiser, David Gallagher, said: "Paul Manners is driving up from London for the event and will be a special guest, performing Hold You in My Arms, his new single Soca 'Til the Morning Comes and possibly his song, Inspirational as well.

"It's absolutely wonderful to see someone like Paul going the extra mile supporting charity events all over the country and I hope he gets all the success he so richly deserves. It is a massive boost for our event and we are hoping to sell more tickets now to the general public."

Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Nikki Hennessy will also attend the event and will perform the draw for the raffle with prizes including a bottle of Champagne donated by the Ormskirk Morrisons, a tour of Everton FC's Goodison Park ground for four people and an official Liverpool FC signed photograph of club captain, Jordan Henderson.

David Gallagher added: "We have had many auditions from artists of all ages competing for medals which our panel of judges will award and the Aughton's Got Talent cup for the best act by the public vote.

"The winner will keep a small commemorative cup and the large cup will be engraved with the name of the winner and kept at the Aughton Village Hall.

"Fourteen–year–old Zack Al–Ramadhan has designed a judges' desk for Eunice Woof MBE who is leading a panel of four other judges and worked really hard with all the staging.

"We hope all the new technology, including the golden buzzer for a special golden prize, will be alright on the night!"

Tickets are £10 for adults and £5 for children and can bought from David on 01695 421158 or on the door on the night.

For more information visit www.aughtonsgottalent.co.uk.

Edge Hill sports centre opening

AN Olympic athlete and a philanthropist will perform the official opening ceremony for the new £30m Sports Centre building, track and pitches at Edge Hill University next Wednesday, September 23.

Heptathlete and long jumper, Katarina Johnson–Thompson and philanthropist and entrepreneur, Barrie Wells will open the new facilities at 3pm.

This will be followed by the unveiling of a commemorative plaque on the campus at 4pm to mark the event.

Open day raises £9,700 for animal sanctuary

Now staff hope 'racy' calendar will help boost funds

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

MORE than 1,000 visitors attended the Woodlands Animal Sanctuary fundraising open day on Saturday (September 5) boosting the coffers of the charitable trust in Sandy Lane, Holmeswood to the tune of around £9,700.

Staff and volunteers laid a number of fun activities for guests to try out including zorbing balls, tombolas, dunking stalls, magician, face painting, a plate smashing stall, an inflatable village and a funny dog show with entries including the waggiest tail and cutest dog.

They also had displays and shows including fire–eaters, a birds of prey and reptile display and a gun dog show, while visitors could also view the pets that need re–homing.

Liz Gould, one of the trustees, told the Champion: "It was amazing, it was so busy and we have phenomenal feedback from the visitors some of who come year on year and some who were there for the first time.

"Although the day raised a terrific amount to put it into context, it is actually only enough to cover the shelter's running costs for the next three weeks, so the fundraising never stops.

One of the shots from the Woodlands 2016 Calendar

"We are always looking for helpers and fundraisers so please come and give your time if you can help out."

Meanwhile, staff at Rufford Veterinary Group posed for a racy calendar to raise funds for the sanctuary.

The calendar, which was launched on the open day, was the idea of Woodlands staff but they were too shy to take part.

However, the ladies from Rufford Veterinary Group on Holly Lane, who often work with the sanctuary, offered to step in and the A3 calendar, shot by professional photographer Diana Celinem, is now available to buy.

Liz Gould added: "I love the calendar, it is so beautiful and tastefully shot. We are really excited about this calendar, we hope it will raise several thousand pounds to help towards the shelter's running costs. It would make an ideal birthday or Christmas gift for an nimal lover."

• *Copies of the calendar can be bought from Woodlands or ordered online at www.animalsanctuary.org.uk/calendar. Anyone wishing to volunteer or fundraise for the sanctuary can call on 01704 823293.*

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Campaign aims to highlight concerns about rural policing

THE National Rural Crime Network (NRCN) have launched a 'Rural Policing Matters' campaign after research showed that trust in policing in rural areas is lower than in urban areas.

According to the network's findings only a third of people living or working in rural areas believe the police are responding to issues of concern to them – compared to two–thirds of people nationally.

The findings also show rural crime is significantly under–reported.

Now the NRCN is urging the government to reconsider the proposed changes to how police forces are funded and encouraging members of the public to respond to a consultation being held by the government.

They believe the proposed new formula does not take into account the unit–cost of policing a rural area or reflect the majority of work the police do which is not crime–related – such as road safety or responding to welfare issues.

NRCN chair, Julia Mulligan, said: "There is real concern both from representatives of rural communities like our network, and those communities themselves, that without proper resourcing for rural police forces than some crimes and anti–social behaviour might not get the attention they deserve.

"If you are a concerned member of a rural community we want you to make your voice heard by responding directly to the government's consultation and to sign the 'Rural Policing Matters' petition.

New trains on way for Merseyrail

Report by **Holly Rummens**

RAIL passengers in West Lancashire who use the Merseyrail network between Liverpool and Ormskirk can start to look forward to a new fleet of trains by 2020.

Transport body Merseytravel has announced a £400 million programme of improvements which will not only see brand new trains but will also include investment in infrastructure.

And travel chiefs says the upgrade will be funded at no additional cost to the taxpayers but will make use of finances already set aside.

The new trains and network improvements will 'help meet the growing demand on the network', parts of which are already close to capacity at peak times.

The new fleet will include a range of features, including increased capacity from the current 303 passengers to more than 480 on a six–carriage train, air conditioning, Wi–Fi, improved standing facilities and passenger information.

The improvements would also benefit residents living in Skelmersdale – should the long–awaited rail station in the town finally come to fruition – after it was confirmed the new fleet would have dual voltage, enabling the trains to run on both rail and overhead lines.

Since 1956, all railway projects have used overhead lines as standard, so if Merseytravel plan to expand the network to Skelmersdale, the trains would have to operate on both the current line and a new overhead line.

Merseytravel has spent more than a year looking into the best options for the network.

The current trains at 37 years old are among the oldest in the UK. Carriages underwent a £32m refurbishment in 2002 and the 59–train fleet was also 'refreshed' last year at a cost of £8.5m.

An iImpression of what the new trains could look like

Merseytravel chief executive, David Brown, said: "Doing nothing is not an option. The fleet is among the oldest in the UK and we want to ensure that we're geared up to maintain the high standards people have come to expect from Merseyrail, as well as ensuring the fleet can cope with a significant increase in passenger numbers.

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Hunt for knifeman after schoolgirl slashed in assault

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

Bid to trace 'good Samaritans' who went to victim's aid

POLICE hunting a man who left a schoolgirl needing treatment for slash wounds to her face following what was described as a "particularly nasty assault" are trying to trace two members of the public who went to the victim's aid by taking her to hospital.

Officers believe the 'good Samaritans' may be able to help them with their investigation.

The attack is thought to have taken place in Vicarage Gardens, Burscough on Friday, July 31, leaving the 15–year–old victim covered in blood and with a significant cut to her eye.

She was found outside the Spar shop on Liverpool Road at around 6.30pm by two members of the public who took her to Ormskirk Hospital children's accident and emergency department.

The teenager had been punched and sustained two slash wounds to her face. It is believed her attacker was a man in his 20s in a silver car.

PC Carmen Whittle of Skelmersdale Police said: "This was a nasty assault on a young girl and it's thanks to the two good Samaritans who took her to hospital that she was able to receive medical treatment for her injuries.

"We believe they may have further information that could greatly assist with our enquiries and I would urge either of them, if they see this appeal, to come forward.

"I would also urge anyone who may have witnessed the attack itself in the Vicarage Gardens to contact us with any information."

Borough's salute to Merchant Navy

THE RED Ensign flag was raised in Ormskirk to recognise the UK's historic dependence on Merchant Navy seafarers.

West Lancs Council marked Merchant Navy Day on Thursday (September 3) by flying the national maritime flag outside their offices on Derby Street.

Local veterans attended the ceremony alongside council officials including the deputy mayor, Councillor Liz Savage and council leader, Councillor Ian Moran.

The event was staged in support of a call by the Seafarers UK charity and the Merchant Navy Association for the flag to be flown on public buildings and landmark flagstaffs.

Cllr. Moran said: "In both world wars the Merchant Service suffered heavy losses from German U–boat attacks. And in the Second World War the service suffered a higher percentage loss than any of the armed forces with the loss of 32,000 merchant seafarers. But, thanks to their service alongside their Royal Navy escorts of the Atlantic Convoys, they successfully imported enough supplies to allow an Allied Victory.

"Today we are here to recognise our current seafarers and to thank those seafarers who braved perilous journeys across the oceans during the world wars and to remember the sacrifices they made."

Cllr. Savage then read a message from the Earl of Wessex before the Red Ensign was hoisted by veterans Patrick Nolan and Tony Hamer, representing the Merchant Navy Association.

Council officials and members of the Merchant Navy Association at the ceremony

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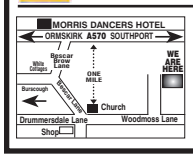

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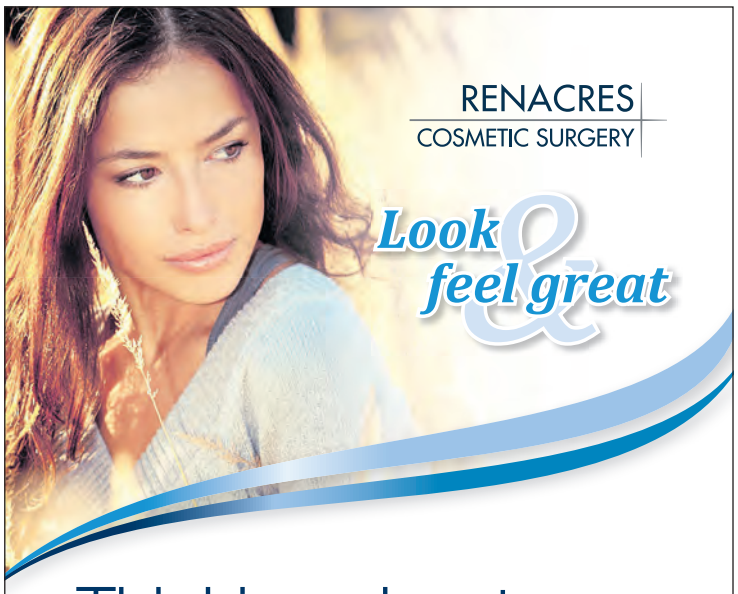

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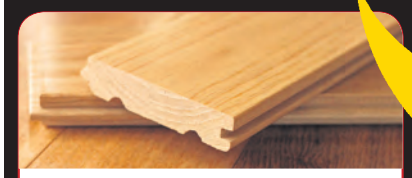

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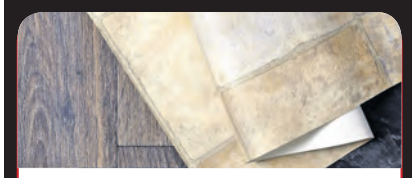

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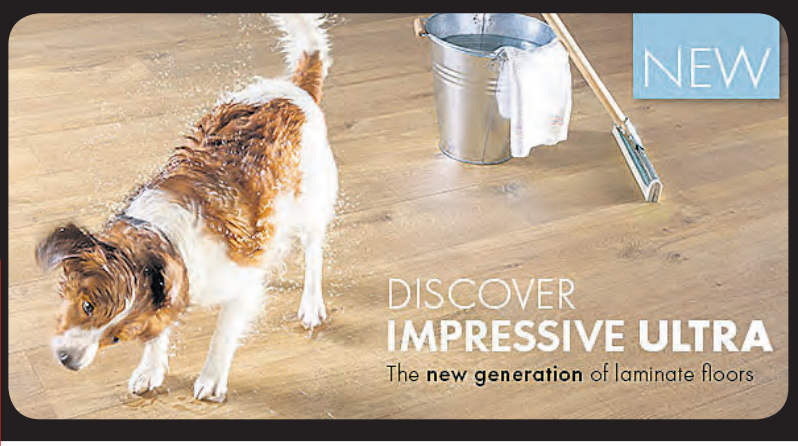

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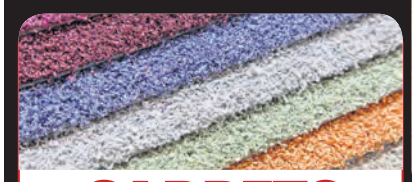

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Silver Sunday appeal

WEST Lancs Council is urging residents to give an older person a 'silver service' welcome on Sunday, October 4.

Silver Sunday is an annual day of free fun and free activities for older people across the UK celebrating the values and knowledge that they bring to our communities. It aims to tackle the loneliness and isolation felt by many by providing social activities for older people.

Councillor Terry Aldridge, the council's council cabinet member for older people, is offering grants from his Older People's Champion's Fund to people who want to organise events for older people on this special day. Events that have been organised in the past include tea dances, ballet classes and world record attempts.

Cllr. Aldridge said: "I'm keen to support older people in West Lancs and ensure that their voices are heard and their needs are met.

"Silver Sunday is a great event to promote opportunities for older people and I urge the community to get involved. I would encourage people to attend any events in their area."

The total budget available for small grant applications is £1,900.

To apply for a grant write to Councillor Terry Aldridge, c/o West Lancashire Borough Council, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, L39 2DF or go to www.westlancs.gov.uk/grants.

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Ormskirk sisters to stage first consumer show at £66m Exhibition Centre

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

Joanne Dainty Fenna and Rachel Guy–Jones

TWO sisters from Ormskirk are the organisers of the first consumer show to be staged at the brand new £66 million Exhibition Centre Liverpool.

Joanne Dainty Fenna, 42, and Rachel Guy–Jones, 40, who set up their own company, Bliss Wedding Shows in 2009, will bring The Liverpool Wedding Show to the Kings Dock venue this weekend (Saturday and Sunday, September 12 and 13).

The sisters, who organise fairs at leading hotels in the region, have built the show up over the last six years to become the biggest in the North West, attracting more than 6,000 visitors and 150 local, national and international wedding specialists.

Managing director, Joanne, said: "The show has outgrown the two previous venues and the region's biggest wedding show needs to be in the heart of this amazing city.

"This show has been two years in the planning and it's a huge honour to be the first consumer show in this amazing exhibition space. It's something Liverpool has needed for a number of years and we are so proud to be a part of it."

Tickets for The Liverpool Wedding Show, priced £12, can be bought on the day. For more details go to www.theliverpoolweddingshow.co.uk.

Teddy toddle raises vital funds for neonatal unit

By **Holly Rummens**

Theo and mum Emma at the Tutu and Teddy Toddle event

THE family of toddler who owes his life to staff at Ormskirk Hospital neonatal unit are three–quarters of the way to their target of raising £8,000 towards the cost of a new incubator for the unit.

When little Theo Graham was born 10 weeks prematurely in October 2012 he weighed just over 2lbs and was put on life support.

But thanks to the dedication and care he received from nurses and doctors at the hospital the youngster from Formby pulled through.

And Theo's grateful family launched a fundraising campaign to help the hospital reach their £40,000 target to purchase a new Transport Incubator.

So far they have raised more than £6,000 for the unit and Theo's mum, Emma, said she is hoping to reach £8,000 by the end of the year.

Their latest fundraiser was a tutu and teddy toddle at the Lady Green Garden Centre in Ince Blundell and in just one hour Theo and fellow members of Baby Ballet Formby helped to raise £150.

Theo's mum, Emma, said: "The Tutu & Teddy Toddle was absolutely fantastic, the sun shone, all the Baby Ballet stars had a brilliant time, dancing and having their faces painted.

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Tesco in talks with potential tenant for former Metro store in town centre

By Danielle Thompson

WEST Lancs MP Rosie Cooper has welcomed the 'positive news' that Tesco are in talks with a potential new tenant to take over their former store on Church Street, Ormskirk.

The Tesco Metro store closed in April this year and has remained empty since.

The identity of the potential new tenant has not yet been revealed but discussions are ongoing.

Recent meetings organised by Ms Cooper about the redevelopment and the future of Ormskirk town centre included discussions on the former Tesco store with concerns raised that a unit of this size on Church Street remaining empty wasn't good for the town.

The MP said: "The prospect of a new tenant to occupy the former Tesco Ormskirk store is very positive and news that should be welcomed.

"In revitalising Ormskirk town centre as a place where people want to come and shop we need stores to be opening up rather than standing empty. Attracting new retailers brings jobs and people who spend money in the town which is good news for all retailers and traders on market day.

"This is a step in the right direction and one that needs to be built on in creating a vibrant market town centre."

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Time to crack down on the pathway–blockers

I AM not accustomed to writing to newspapers but I have come across a problem that makes my blood boil.

This is the obstruction of the footpaths by parked cars, refuse bins (generally after collection) and badly 'dropped' kerbs to allow access to properties.

This problem loomed large when my friend had a stroke and became wheelchair–bound.

To take him for a walk would not have given any problems until the parked cars, vans and lorries obstructed our path, forcing me to detour into the road to get round.

Then came the wheelie bins, just left by the collection service, anywhere so long as they were off the road!

How do mothers with prams and pushchairs, those in self–drive wheelchairs, and even pedestrians and less–able pushers of wheelchair, get on faced with this nightmare of obstacles limiting progress?

Some cars fully block the path, others are half on, half off, narrowing the footpath.

When I started driving in 1965 I received a fine for causing an unnecessary obstruction when I had parked across the footpath. Has the law changed to allow blocking of the footpath?

One other obstruction that arose in my perambulation was that of the garden hedge.

These have been allowed to grow unchecked, narrowing the footpath and forcing the pedestrian on to the roadway – a very dangerous place to be when the general speed and volume of traffic is considered.

Why do the police and the local authority not enforce the law to keep the footpaths alongside all roads – both estate and main ones – clear of all obstructions? Surely not a very difficult task and a good earner from the fines levied on the offenders.

I. R., by email

I LIVE in a long cul–de–sac with a blind 90–degree bend on it and lots of people park cars on the pavement, even on the dangerous bend when it is safer to park in the road or on their run–ins.

It is thoughtless to park on pavements making it impossible for blind people to pass safely.

Also, people pushing wheelchairs or pushchairs have to walk past via the road because there is no room between the garden wall and the vehicle on the pavement.

Disabled people with walking difficulties would be in danger to walk in the road.

These thoughtless people should stop and think what dangers they are causing.

If I put my wheelie bin on the pavement every night and day I would be told to move it, so why not the cars?

C. E., by email

PICTURE of the week

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Keith Rudd on board his narrowboat adds a sparkle to the twilight hour for the Festival of Light – part of last weekend's Parbold Hill Comes Alive art and music event. Picture by Martyn Snape. Code: 1084064.

Is there one law for the travellers and another for the rest of us?

I READ with interest in in your newspaper (August 26, Page 4) Councillor Wilkie's warning to litter louts. I do agree with him but is there one law for us and another law for others?

In Skelmersdale and Up Holland we repeatedly get visits from travellers, the ammount of rubbish, including human waste, that they leave behind is disgusting.

Last week I saw them arriving at Glenburn. They were all queuing around the roundabout while the leading wagon towing a caravan forced its way on to the playing fields, destroying a fence and saplings in the process.

When I made my return journey a few minutes later I saw four police cars with their sirens blaring arriving at the field. I was quite amazed at their speedy arrival to deal with the situation thinking that they will be moved on before they have settled.

But no, they were there next day and, as I read in this week's Champion, they have again left behind a disgusting mess.

I feel so sorry for the council workers who have to clean up after them.

Councillor Wilkie States that enforcement officers make regular patrols and won't hesitate to issue fixed penalty notices. Did nobody notice the travellers on their patrols?

I know it is easier to issue a fine to one person dropping a plastic bottle – and who would want to tackle a gang of travellers? – but that is not the point, something needs to be done.

They are fly–tipping which is a £50,000 fine to everybody else who does it so why are travellers treated differently? It leaves me speechless.

I do not dislike travellers and, probably like a lot of other people, if they cleaned up after themselves we would not mind. But when they are leaving a terrible mess where our children play it really upsets me.

H. Porter,
Up Holland

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Shoppers' safety is being ignored

RE: people falling over while walking on the newly–paved pedestrian precinct in Moor Street, Ormskirk (near the clock tower and Boots etc).

This problem has been going on for several months and people are regularly being injured, including shoppers browsing the market stalls who perhaps aren't as focussed on where they are walking.

The deep drainage gulleys are indeed a trip hazard, especially for the elderly and those using zimmer frames.

Simply painting the gulleys white is not a solution.

When I spoke to someone senior in the county council a few weeks back they told me that the extra–deep drainage was installed to protect against flooding during heavy rain.

When I suggested that members of the public may well sue for injuries sustained from tripping, the person in question said: "Oh, we're used to being sued for that sort of thing."

It therefore seems to me as if the safety of shoppers in Ormskirk is being largely ignored here.

In addition, while speaking to several workmen on the job a month or so ago, one of them said that when the drainage gulleys were delivered on–site, everyone spotted straight away that they were far too deep, yet they were nonetheless told to install them by the powers that be.

So, come on county council, let's have proper, shallower drain gulleys installed quickly before someone else gets crippled – or worse!

Wary shopper, Ormskirk, by email

An integrated travel authority is what we need

THANKS to Arriva there is a new bus service to serve the Ashurst end of Skem.

At least it will be a regular service which can be relied on but what is needed is a transport authority like the London one, LTA, which oversees transport needs and has the power and, importantly, the money to fulfill the need.

Arriva, with respect, is restricted because the route must be profitable which is a must for a private company.

What is needed now is the whole town to be covered by a seven–day service for everyone and only a transport authority can achieve this.

This authority would have to cover the whole of Lancashire's trains and buses and would be integrated like it was in the past.

Public transport, like broadband, is a key element in society and both need to be upgraded.

Stephen Bennett, Briars Green, Ashurst

Green energy is no laughing matter

WE know the climate is getting warming. Day–to–day the weather is erratic.

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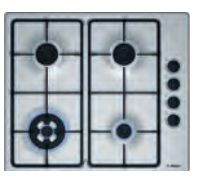
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Council extols parks' autumn attractions

SUMMER might be over but council chiefs are reminding West Lancs residents that the autumn is a great time to visit the borough's parks and countryside areas to see the wonderful seasonal colours in the local landscape.

West Lancs has an array of green space sites for everyone to enjoy.

As well as the award–winning Coronation Park, Ormskirk and Beacon Country Park, Up Holland – which recently had their prestigious Green Flag status confirmed – other great places to visit in the borough include Fairy Glen (Appley Bridge), Hunters Hill (Hilldale), Richmond Park (Burscough), Ruff Wood (Ormskirk) and Tawd Valley Park (Skelmersdale).

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, West Lancs Council's cabinet member for leisure, said: "West Lancashire has a lot of beautiful scenery and autumn is a great time to see that as the landscape begins to change with the new season. So why not give yourself and the family an enjoyable day out by visiting one of our sites and take in one or more of our great parks events as well."

Councillor Yvonne Gagen

Meanwhile, volunteers are invited to help with the Chequer Lane playing fields clean–up in Up Holland on Saturday (September 12) from 10am to 3pm.

And on Saturday, September 19 the Hunters Hill Fungi walk takes place from 2pm.

For more information about volunteering opportunities with the Ranger Service contact 01695 622794. You can also find out more about parks and countryside events by following the rangers on Twitter @WLBCRangers or visiting their Facebook page www.facebook.com/wlbc.rangers.

The council also works closely with the Friends of Coronation Park and other friends groups across the borough on schemes. These groups are always looking for new members. Anyone interested can contact park ranger Jess Britch on 01695 570258 for more details.

Hospital trust annual meeting

MEMBERS of the public and staff are invited to the annual general meeting of Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust on Wednesday, September 16.

There will also be a presentation by district nurses about the work they have done to ensure consistent, high standard, nursing care for patients in the final months of life.

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All services are carried out by a Gas Safe registered engineer from Heat 2000 and an engineer will also check each appliance and flue before a new tenant moves into the property.

Each service is recorded and a copy of a valid safety certificate will be provided to tenants.

Councillor Jennifer Patterson, West Lancs Council's portfolio holder for housing, said: "We want to make sure everyone who rents a home from us is safe and we take our responsibilities to tenants incredibly seriously.

"Our staff and contractors work incredibly hard to ensure all the work is completed and this achievement is testament to that.

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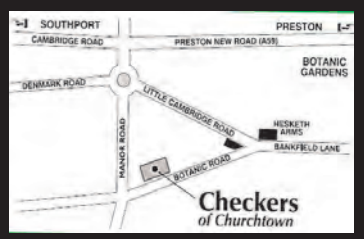

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Borough's over–40s urged to take up free health check offer

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The Stay Healthy For the Ones You Love campaign is aimed at people aged 40 to 74 without a pre–existing condition.

The 20–minute health check, available at patients' local GP surgeries, looks at circulatory and vascular health and the risk of developing a disabling – but preventable – vascular disease.

If any underlying symptoms are diagnosed, advice and support will be given to help people lower their risk of developing heart disease, stroke, type two diabetes and kidney disease.

Last year, more than 25,000 health checks were carried out in Lancashire and research shows that health checks could save as many as 650 lives each year in England.

Posters featuring images of parents and grandparents with their families will be displayed on billboards, football grounds, in newspapers and magazines, at railway stations and in doctors' surgeries across the county. There will also be a series of radio adverts.

The campaign will encourage people to ask their GP for a free health check and to attend if they are invited for an appointment. If they don't feel they need to do it for themselves, then they are encouraged to do it for the ones they love.

County Councillor Azhar Ali, Lancashire County Council's cabinet member for health and wellbeing, said: "We know a lot of people are worried about going to the doctor and getting themselves checked out – but most of the time they will not discover anything serious. The NHS health check will take less than 20 minutes. It will look at your lifestyle, weight, family medical history, cholesterol levels and blood pressure.

"If the health professional picks up on any factors which could lead to health problems, you'll be given advice and support to help you lower your risk meaning you're more likely to enjoy life for longer. The checks are a great way to stay fit and healthy for yourself and your loved ones."

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County Councillor Azhar Ali

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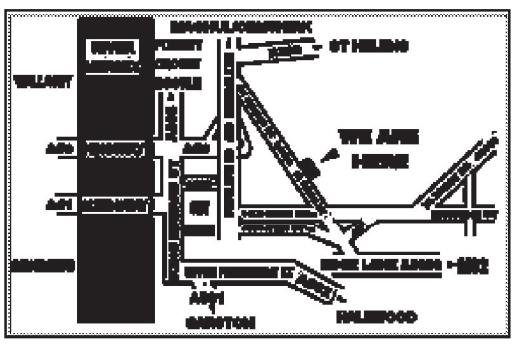

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Chance to take a twirl into the past

THE Burscough Heritage Group are starting monthly history meetings which will run throughout the autumn and winter.

The first, on Monday, September 14, will focus on the history of morris dancing in the village, starting at 7pm at the Blue Mallard at Burscough Wharf.

Colin Wareing, communication officer for the group, said: "You can re–live and share your memories of morris dancing with this 'show and tell' evening of nostalgia for all the people who can remember and may even have taken part in the various dance troupes that have come and gone from the area.

"All members of the public are welcome and a voluntary donation of £2 will be taken on the door."

Ahoy there me hearties!

Pirates at Albert Dock

Pirate Festival returns to Albert Dock and we've a great prize up for grabs...

LIVERPOOL Pirate Festival returns to Albert Dock with a real blast on September 12 and 13, 2015.

And to celebrate, me hearties, the Champion has a swashbuckling 'Albert Dock Experience' prize for a family of four to give away, which includes:–

- Lunch at Miller & Carter, Albert Dock
- Tickets to Tate Liverpool, Albert Dock
- Tickets to the Beatles Story, Albert Dock
- Milkshakes at Funky Shake Bar

New for this year's pirate festival will be the live music stage at Salthouse Dock, featuring a special appearance from Cook and Line from CBeebies' Swashbuckle (Saturday only, 12.15 to 12.45pm, 1.45 to 2.15pm, and 3.30 to 4pm).

Visitors will also be treated to breathtaking live–action battles at the centre of Albert Dock, theatrical sword fights, real–life buccaneers of the seas and the popular children's fancy dress pirate parade (starting at The Pumphouse, 1pm, both days).

Many of the Dock attractions, restaurants and shops will also enter into the plundering pirate spirit, with pirate–themed entertainment, menus and shenanigans to look forward to.

Liverpool Pirate Festival at Albert Dock takes place from 11am–5pm both days. For more information on this and all upcoming events at Albert Dock, please visit www.albertdock.com.

To celebrate the return of Liverpool Pirate Festival at Albert Dock, here's your chance to experience your own swashbuckling adventure to this iconic waterfront location. We're offering a family of four an exciting day out in vibrant Liverpool – mixing delicious cuisine with a little culture thrown in for good measure!

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While at Albert Dock you'll have the chance to visit Tate Liverpool – the most popular gallery of modern and contemporary art outside London and home of the National Collection of Modern Art in the North – currently showing the amazing Jackson Pollock: Blind Spots exhibition; and the Beatles Story – a mecca for fans of the Fab Four which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year.

And don't worry about getting hungry – have your steak and eat it at one of Liverpool's best steakhouses, Miller & Carter Albert Dock. Once you've tasted their hand–cut, 30–day aged British steaks, you'll never look back!

And it doesn't end there. The winners will also be treated to delicious milkshakes at Funky Shake Bar.

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To enter simply send us the answer to the question, below, on a postcard to Pirate Competition, Champion, 166 Lord Street, Southport, PR90QA.

Q. Where in Liverpool is the Pirate Festival being held?

Don't forget to include your name, address, and a daytime telephone contact number. Winner will be the sender of the first correct entry drawn after the closing date of September 16, 2015. Normal Champion competition rules apply. Editor's decision is final.

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Advice bureau issue pension scam warning

PENSIONERS in the borough and those nearing retirement are being urged to beware of possible scammers aiming to take advantage of pension reforms.

According to Citizens Advice Bureau staff over–50s throughout Lancashire are being repeatedly contacted via cold–calls and emails offering fraudulent pension opportunities.

More than four months after the reforms came into effect, figures from the national consumer body find that two in five CAB pensions staff in England and Wales have seen people targeted repeatedly by pension scams. A further one in 10 saw people who had either responded or fallen prey to a scam.

Half of all local CAB pension workers think that pension scams are evolving into investment scams, targeting the cash lump sums people can release from their pension pots. A further third of staff from across the service think that scams targeting the over–50s have increased.

Among the scams seen by Citizens Advice are:

• **Unspecified financial products:**
People are asked access to their pension pots by fraudsters who would then invest them into financial products on their behalf. Despite offering a high rate of return, scammers were unable to explain what the investments might be.

• **Free pension reviews:**
People are texted or cold–called with offers of a free pension review. The caller then asks to visit the person in their own home, bringing paperwork that would allow them to get access to their pension details. One man responded to an internet ad for a free pension review, filled in his details, and was visited by someone claiming to be an Independent Financial Adviser who couldn't describe any investments!

• **Investments for pension cash:**
People are approached with offers to invest their pension cash into products such as property overseas or fine wines. One investment scam featured two salesmen, one visited the potential customer to get access to his pension details the second encouraged him to invest his pension and any other savings into property in South Africa.

Lancashire West CAB chief executive, Diane Gradwell, said: "Scammers are finding new ways to go after people's pension pots, including offering free pension reviews and promising to invest funds that don't necessarily exist.

"If you've had an offer or signed up to a pension scheme you're unsure about, contact your nearest Citizens Advice Bureau or phone 01772 425916 for free help and support."

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WIN! VIP tickets to a night at the opera

GRAMMY Award winning Russian soprano Ekaterina Lekhina comes to St George's Hall Liverpool in October – and you can win VIP tickets to meet the singer and watch her perform in an exclusive Champion competition.

Ekaterina is one of the stars of Plácido Domingo's Operalia heading to the city this Autumn to launch a new opera performance series at the iconic Liverpool venue.

The Liverpool Opera – Four Seasons makes its debut at St George's Hall on Thursday, October 1, at 7.30pm. The concert will take place in the stunning Concert Room and the programme will include works by Mozart, Puccini, Verdi, and Donizetti.

Soprano star Ekaterina Lekhina will be joined by special guest Barbara Ruzsics, who lives in Liverpool and graduated at the Liszt Academy of Music and student of Soprano star Eva Marton; and David Walters who is Liverpool Hope University's accompanist and piano tutor.

Lekhina made her international opera debut in 2007 at the Vienna Volksoper, and has performed at venues including the Royal Opera

Ekaterina Lekhina

House; Deutsche Oper; Bolshoi Theatre; Staatsoper Berlin; and Teatre Real Madrid. She has worked with celebrated conductors including Antonio Papano, Kent Nagano, and Leopold Hager. She won the prestigious Diapason d'Or prize in France, and took first place at Plácido Domingo's Operalia Paris.

The Champion has a pair of VIP tickets for the October 1 performance, which includes a meet and greet with Ekaterina Lekhina. Our VIP winners will also enjoy a reception before the concert and during the interval, priority seating, and Hungarian wine and snacks.

To win this fabulous prize, all you need to do is answer the following question:

Q. Where will Ekaterina Lekhina perform in Liverpool this Autumn?

Send your answer on a postcard with your name and daytime contact details to Opera Competition, The Champion, 166 Lord Street, Southport. PR9 0QA. Closing date is Wednesday, September 23, 2015. The winner will be the sender of the first correct entry drawn after the closing date. Usual Champion competition rules apply. Editor's decision is final.

Terms and Conditions: The VIP prize is valid only on Thursday, October 1, 2015.

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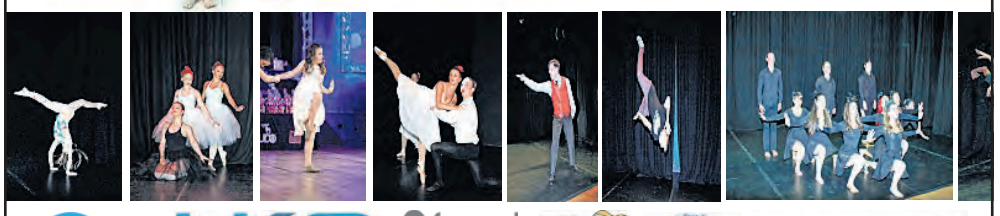

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Care trust supports sexual health awareness week

LANCASHIRE Care NHS Foundation Trust is supporting Sexual Health Awareness Week (September 14–20) by continuing to highlight the importance of good sexual health.

Led by the Family Planning Association, the theme this year will focus on sexual pleasure and wellbeing targeting five key areas – education, older people, learning disabilities, separating fantasy from reality and communication skills.

The trust's contraception and sexual health (CaSH) Team are setting up information stands in their busiest clinics which will be packed full of useful information on the five areas and will signpost anyone needing help and support.

The aim of the week is to create an environment where people can talk openly about sex and sexual pleasure without fear or embarrassment and to explore the reasons why sexual pleasure remains a source of shame.

Sue Capstick

Sue Capstick, service line manager for sexual health at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust, said: "This week is the perfect opportunity for us all to start healthy conversations about sexual pleasure that people might find awkward or uncomfortable.

"It's time to reduce the stigma attached to this subject so people can discuss their sexual wellbeing with health professionals to get the advice and support they might need or answers to questions they have struggled to ask in the past."

The CaSH team hold regular clinics for anyone wanting to find out more information on issues relating to sexual health and discuss areas of concern.

People can contact the team on 01772 401140 to find their nearest clinic or visit www.cashlancashirecare.nhs.uk.

Youths tackle knock out challenge

YOUNG people from West Lancs took part in the Lancashire Summer Challenge 2015 event, supported by the county council's Wellbeing, Prevention and Early Help Young People's Service and organised by the Lancashire Association of Boys and Girls Clubs (LABGC).

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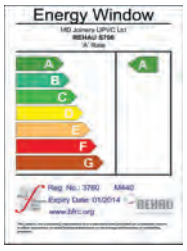

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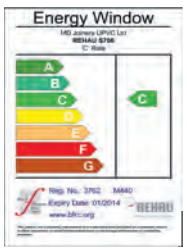

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Walking's my recipe to fight the flab

HANDS up anyone who enjoys being a patient in, or visiting a patient for that matter in hospital.

Not many, I bet.

The one and only time I've ever been a patient I endured it. The food wasn't that bad, the nurses very good indeed. And the doctors cured me.

But still I couldn't wait to get out of the place. The difficulty was that it seemed to me to probably be easier to escape from the high security wing at Walton Jail than it was to get out of the old Walton Hospital.

And visiting others in hospital is a trial in itself. The places smell – well, they smell like a hospital. They are full of sick people who might, and occasionally do, pass their illness on to visitors.

I suspect there are many more like me who keep sneaking a look at their watches to see when they can decently make their exit – providing you can find a way out through the maze of confusing signs.

So I would have thought anything the hospital authorities can do to make life a little better and happier they would leap at – particularly as this activity is making them money.

But no. One Simon Stevens, NHS chief honcho, has declared war on fast food outlets who provide "fatty, sugary food" on hospital premises.

This is all part of this gentleman's laudable war on obesity. But there are flaws in this latest bout of nannying.

For a start, another word for the fatty, sugary food he wishes to evict is surely 'comfort food' – and many of the folk visiting friends and loved ones are sorely in need of that.

Also, what is to stop them bringing it in with them? Or will there be a Checkpoint Charlie at every hospital reception with an electronic gizmo which beeps at the first whiff of a Jammy Dodger or doughnut?

Let there be no confusion – I share Simon Stevens' dislike of our increasingly large population (and I'm not talking immigration here).

The sight of men, women and more and more often their tubby offspring as well, is not one I relish.

And if Mr Stevens thinks anyone will take notice, he could most certainly put up posters advising his visitors (and for that matter NHS employees as well) on what they should and should not eat.

I do speak from personal experience, having at one time been certainly bordering fat.

The reason was obvious to me even then. I was drinking far too much alcohol and eating irregularly all the wrong sorts of foods.

And yes, surely even in these politically correct days I can accuse myself of being fat. It's just a pity that I cannot ever refer to anyone else in those terms.

But I reformed. I gave up the demon drink, started eating more veg and fruit, and began walking far more often.

At the same time, I still indulge in anything containing cream and/or chocolate. I still eat chips, stir fries and curries.

I am one of the increasingly rare breed who turns up at the supermarket check–out with 'proper' blue top milk.

Actually, I eat just about anything I fancy.

And I do not need Simon Stevens trying to ban the odd bag of mint imperials to keep me trim.

How about supplying overweight folk with a puppy on the NHS (with instructions NOT to eat it of course)?

Get the info on adult learning

STAFF from Lancashire Adult Learning College will be holding an information session at Ormskirk Library, Burscough Street on Tuesday, September 15 from 1 to 2.30pm.

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Artists come together to celebrate West Lancashire

PERFORMERS from all over the borough came together to entertain the crowds at the Celebrating West Lancashire concert organised by the mayor, Councillor Nikki Hennessy at Rufford Old Hall on Saturday (September 5).

Proceeds from the event will go to the mayor's charity fund in aid of the local branches of the Lancashire Young Carers Service and the Alzheimer's Society.

A diverse selection of artists took part, ranging from opera singers to rocks bands and choirs to dance groups, while a stilt walker, craft stalls and face painting were other attractions on the day.

The mayor, Cllr. Nikki Hennessy with members of her charity committee members and helpers at the fundraising concert. Code1084034

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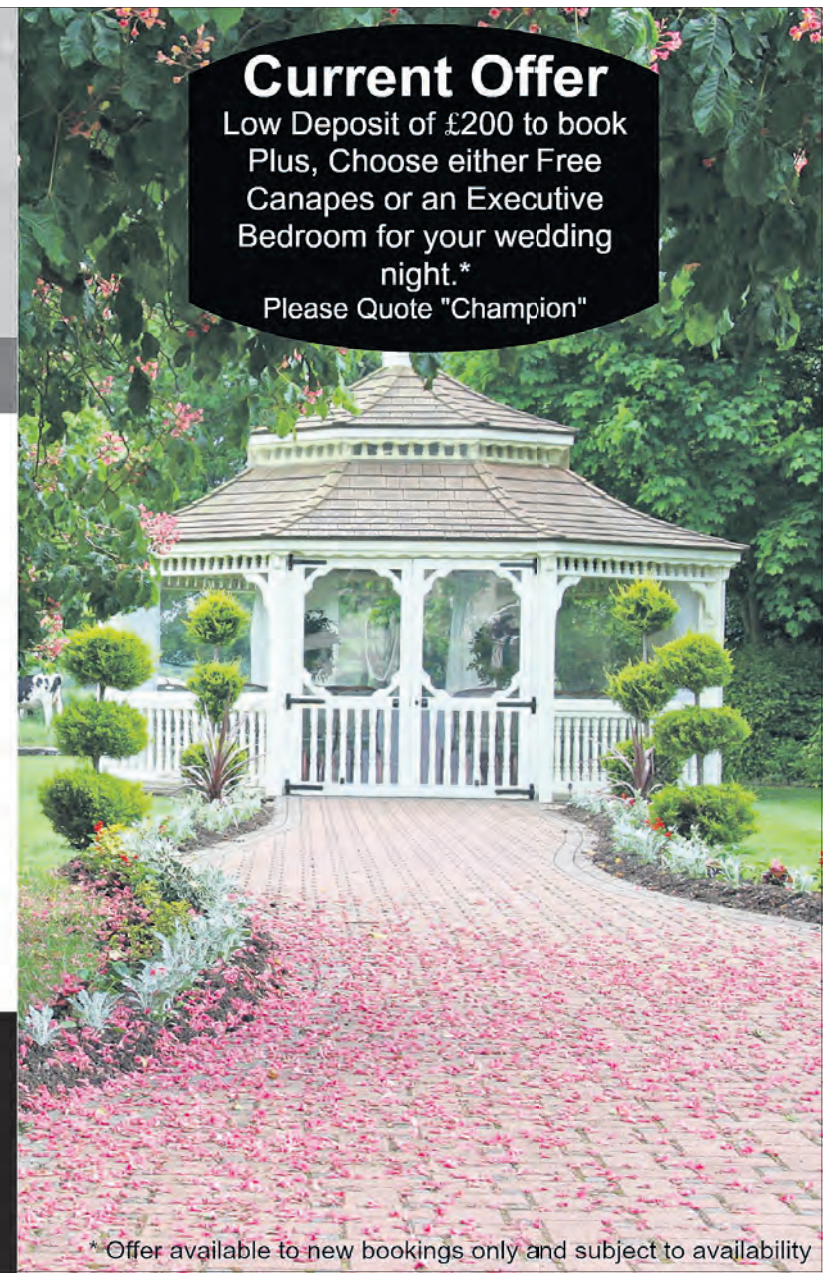
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Teen songster's helping hand for Chernobyl kids

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A TALENTED teenage singer who entertained guests at a West Lancashire holiday park this summer has helped to raise £270 for a children's charity.

Katie Lou Sheridan came to the Riverside park in April with her family for a weekend break and so impressed staff at the Banks venue with her fantastic voice that they invited her back for a four–week stay during the summer holidays to perform for guests.

The 16–year–old from Prestatyn has raised a staggering £16,000 during the last two years for a variety of charities.

During her stay at the Riverside collections were held after her performances in aid of the Chernobyl Children's Life Line charity which provides holidays and healthcare for children and families from Belarus, the country most affected by the 1986 nuclear power plant disaster.

Katie on stage at Riverside Holiday Park

Impressed

Katie's dad, Dave, said she aims to raise £1,200 throughout the year to bring 12 Chernobyl children to stay at the Riverside next summer.

He said: "When we were here in April Katie was asked to help out entertaining holidaymakers when an artist didn't show up and they were so impressed she was asked back for the summer. She has been entertaining full audiences at seven shows a week, which has been fantastic for her confidence, as well as raising money for the Chernobyl charity.

"Over the last two years she has raised more than £16,000 for different causes, including a Welsh armed forces charity and a children's hospice in Conway.

"Earlier this year we hosted a Chernobyl child for a month's holiday, thanks to Katie's efforts. Her aim this year is to raise enough money to bring 12 more of these unfortunate children for holiday here to the UK.

"Thanks to the management team at the Riverside she is well on the way to achieving her goal of £1,200.

"Last year she raised the same amount to bring 12 children to Wales, now she wants to bring 12 children to the Riverside Holiday Park next summer."

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Patients give the thumbs–up to ambulance service

Report by **Henry James**

THE most recent Friends and Family Test (FFT) results from the North West Ambulance Service (NWAS) show 95% of patients are happy to recommend the trust's patient transport service (PTS) to a friend or a family member.

The Friends and Family Test allows patients using NWAS non–emergency service in Cumbria, Lancashire, Cheshire and Merseyside to feed their comments about their experience of the service back to the trust.

NWAS provides patients with a number of different ways to answer the FFT question, including postal surveys, SMS text messages, interactive voice messages and the FFT postcards that have been placed on all vehicles.

Patients were asked: 'Based on your experience of our service, how likely are you to recommend our Ambulance Service to friends and family if they needed similar care or treatment?' The choice of responses included extremely likely, likely, neither, unlikely, extremely unlikely abd don't know.

Results comparing all ambulance services across England have been published for the first time on the NHS England website.

Sarah Faulkner, director of quality for NWAS, said: "Considering the relatively large number of responses for the PTS service, it's great to see NWAS featuring so highly at 95% compared to other ambulance services nationally.

"The FFT remains a fantastic way for NWAS to receive immediate feedback on our services and allows us to react swiftly in getting the most appropriate care to patients at the right time. The more feedback the trust receives from patients the more we see where our services can improve as a whole.

"I would like to thank all those who took the FFT and encourage as many patients as possible to let us know what they think when they use the service in the future."

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THE Communities Against Cancer Team at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust is encouraging people to give up alcohol this September and become a Dryathlete for Cancer Research UK.

This year's national Dryathlon campaign, organised by Cancer Research UK, aims to inspire members of the public to give up alcohol for the month of September to help raise money to beat cancer.

Alcohol is a well–established risk factor for certain types of cancer, including breast, bowel, mouth and oesophageal cancer. The trust works to raise awareness of how individuals can reduce their cancer risk by adopting healthy lifestyles and educates people about the signs and symptoms of common cancers and the importance of seeing a GP early to get any symptoms checked out.

Alison Rushton, from the Communities Against Cancer Team at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust, said: "We work closely with Cancer Research UK to help raise awareness of the importance of early diagnosis and talk to people about the signs and symptoms of different cancers.

"The Dryathlon campaign is a great way to get anyone and everyone involved, either by taking part or sponsoring someone who is! Not only can quitting the drink for a month save you money, but staying off alcohol for can help you feel healthier and energised."

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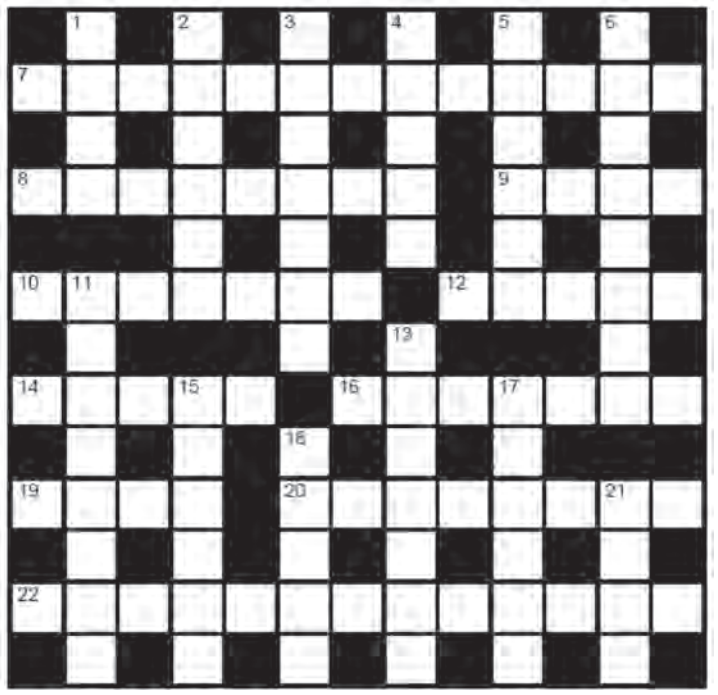

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Across: 7 Tallow. 8 Harrow. 9 Gasp. 10 Goodwife. 11 Cynical. 13 Bagel. 15 Comic. 17 Pink gin. 20 Pimiento. 21 Apse. 22 Mosaic. 23 Hatred.
Down: 1 Vagary. 2 Flap. 3 Own goal. 4 Shoot. 5 Drawback. 6 Toffee. 12 Inimical. 14 Timothy. 16 Orison. 18 Instep. 19 Snack. 21 Anti.

ACROSS
7 People cited in divorce proceedings (2-11)
8 To display effusive goodwill toward another (8)
9 Command to a horse to slow down or stop (4)
10 Arbitrator (7)
12 Words of a popular song (5)
14 Spacious (5)
16 Embarrassed (7)
19 Joke (4)
20 (Of a person) someone too young to legally engage in an activity (8)
22 Musical term, an indication of rhythm following a clef (4,9)

DOWN
1 Ninth letter of Greek alphabet (4)
2 To barrack a public speaker (6)
3 Put to practical use (7)
4 Wading bird with long straight bill (5)
5 Room to manoeuvre (6)
6 Poisonous alkaloid compound used in medicine as a muscle relaxant (8)
11 Only likely to be understood by those with specialised knowledge (8)
13 Enduring (7)
15 Female parent (6)
17 Elf or fairy (6)
18 God of erotic love in classical mythology (5)
21 Benefit cheque (4)

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Vets' tick alert to dog owners

Warning of increased risk to pets after warm, damp weather

Report by **Henry James**

THE warm and wet weather over the summer holidays has prompted a warning by vets to pet owners about an increased risk in the number of ticks and fleas in the countryside.

The weather has led to grass and general flora growing taller than usual in many areas, which is leading to popular summer walking destinations becoming very overgrown.

And with dogs and their owners often making the most of warm and sunny weather outdoors, this has provided excellent conditions for these pests, particularly ticks, with a launching platform to jump on to an unsuspecting passing dog.

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Dr Huw Stacey, director of clinical services at Vets4Pets, said: "We've enjoyed a number of warm, sunny days this summer, which many people have taken advantage of by taking their dogs on longer walks to the countryside. But with the potential increase in numbers of fleas and ticks this summer, it's important that dog owners check their pets thoroughly following a walk.

"Ticks are a particularly nasty problem and can attach themselves anywhere on a dog's body. Fortunately ticks can be removed safely and effectively with a tick remover and fleas can be easily treated, although prevention is better than a cure, especially for fleas.

"Our advice is to ensure your dog has effective and safe flea and tick control that provides protection all year round, but particularly in the warmer months. That way pets can safely enjoy the freedom of the outdoors."

Ticks feed on blood and can transmit Lyme disease, which can be difficult to detect and can sometimes cause serious complications without proper treatment.

Dr Stacey added: "If a tick is found, it is advised not to try and remove it with your fingernails. The best way of getting rid of one is either with a tick remover or by taking your pet to the vet.

"By checking your pet after every walk it will help keep them healthy and prevent the spread of these unwelcome pests."

Pixie Lott concert winners

THE winners of the recent Champion competition to see Pixie Lott in concert at Bank Park, Warrington on September 19, are: A. Willacy, Formby; D. Satterthwaite, Bootle; Roisin Clementson, Birkdale; Emily Dodds, Ormskirk; Mrs K. Johnson, Litherland. Congratulations to all five winners and we hope you enjoy the show!

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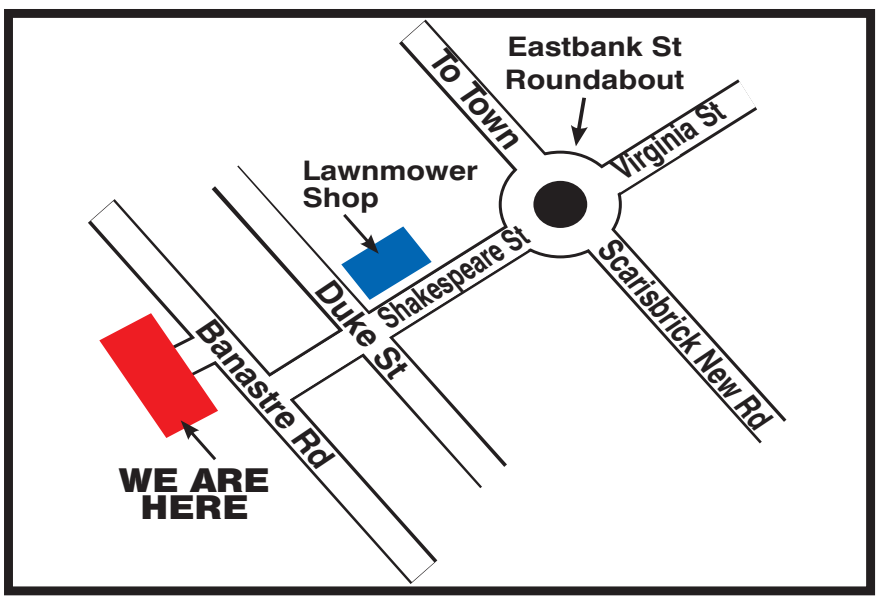

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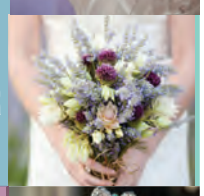

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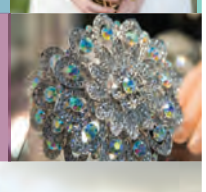

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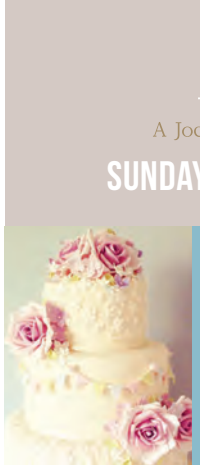

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Dave Spikey to appear at city's Comedy Festival

THE comedian Dave Spikey will be appearing at the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on Thursday, October 1 as part of the city's Comedy Festival.

The former Phoenix Nights star, who co–wrote the comedy with Peter Kay, has said his stand–up shows attracted a broad age range.

He commented: "My shows attract everyone who likes to laugh. I mean proper enjoys laughing. I am really fortunate and proud in a way that I seem to attract a fantastically diverse audience from teens to senior citizens.

"Some will be fans of Phoenix Nights and other stuff I've written and appeared in, some will be fans of eight out of 10 cats and Bullseye and others, generally the older generation, may have seen me on Countdown or Loose Women or Titchmarsh or the various panel shows I do. It's a great mix which has helped me grow as a comedian."

Spikey has dates across the country for this tour and he spoke about his love of doing stand up: "I enjoy the immediacy and intimacy of stand up. Getting the laughs for a line or story you've just thought up and worked on in your head on the way to the gig. Seeing a theatre full of people (I say hopefully full – we are in a triple dip) smiling and laughing out loud.

"Writing for TV is rewarding but you write a great line and 12 months down the line it's aired on telly and somebody in Halifax smiles and chuckles, maybe even laughs out loud a little and says 'Ha that's good'. (That wouldn't be my wife by the way. Unless I fall over looking for the remote that she's obviously hidden)."

Spikey used to write comedy while working at the Royal Bolton Hospital and he commented: "I was at the top of my profession, a Chief Biomedical Scientist in Haematology at the Royal Bolton Hospital and over the years I used to write comedy as a hobby. My father was a great comedy fan and we used to listen to comedy on the radio, on records and eventually on TV and so I grew up surrounded by laughs and competing with my dad as to who could come up with the funniest line every day. I was asked to write Pantomimes and Revues by the hospital am–dram society and eventually directed them then appeared in performances."

Dave Spikey Code NA

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The current line up features the rhythm section Kevin Morris on drums and Phil Mitchell on bass, both 29 years in the band, and Steve Walwyn on guitar who has been with the band for 23 years.

Vocalist Robert Kane (formerly of the Animals) is the most recent addition – joining in 1999 after the tragic death of Lee Brilleaux. The band continues to tour extensively throughout the world and enjoy a loyal following at home and abroad.

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Lathom concert date announced

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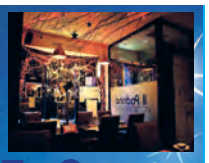

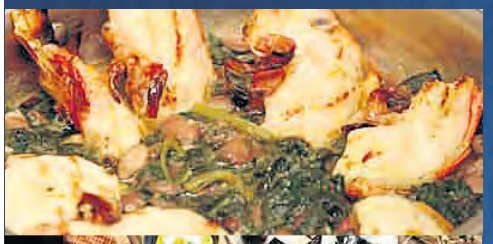

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Announcements

MARRIAGES

Congratulations to Victoria Anne OVERTON and Anthony Michael PICKFORD on their WEDDING at Ormskirk Parish Church

Thank you to all that attended, family and friends.

Also, thank you to the bands 'The Occur' and 'Crushed Vinyl'

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IN MEMORIAM

Halsall Elsie

9th September 2015

Birthday Memorium

Your 90th Birthday Mum, what a party we could have had! Missing you always, Jean & Stewart xx

6115762

Edwards Bunty

September 12th 2014

One year today.
The roses grow in heaven, Lord.
Please pick a bunch from us.
Place them in our mothers arms
and tell her that they are from us.
Tell her that we love her and miss her every day.
Place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy.
We do it every day.
But there is an ache within our hearts.
That will not go away.
We love you loads Mum, we will never forget you.
Your loving daughters and sons, daughter in laws and son in laws and all your grandchildren and great grandchildren.
XX XX XX

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

O'Leary Cliff

08/08/2015

Mary, Angela and Tim wish to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for the kind messages of sympathy, support and donations received during the recent sad loss of Cliff.

Thank you to Dr Southern, Tarleton and Skelmersdale District Nurses, Care Concern and Queenscourt Hospice for the care and attention you gave.

Thanks also to Fr. Anders and the staff at WH Hull, Tarleton.

God bless you all.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Appleby Barbara

Maureen and Darren would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for the love and support received during their recent loss of their beloved Mum and Nan. Thank you also for the generous donations and to all who attended Barbara's funeral service.
Our grateful thanks go to Gary Porter and his team from H Porter Funeral Directors for their caring and dignified funeral arrangements, and also to Pastor Richard Hardy.

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ANNIVERSARIES

TREVOR KAY

Passed away June 2014

Golden Wedding Anniversary 11th September 2015.

Special husband.
Thinking of you today, but then I always do.
Living my life without you, is the hardest thing to do.

Love and miss you.
Your loving wife

Ann
xxx

45762

PEET Geoffrey (Geoff)

Geoff's family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kindness and sympathy shown following their recent sad loss, thanks also for the donations received for Dementia UK. Many thanks to the staff at Stocks Hall Care Home for the loving care shown to Geoff. Special thanks to Peter Goulding for a wonderful service and to Wendy Maxwell and team at Howard's Funeral Directors for their dignified funeral arrangements.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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04/09/15

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Blakeman Roderick

Alan, Stephen, Pamela and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind messages of sympathy, floral tributes and donations received for Queenscourt Hospice, a total of £262.50. A special thank you to Housing 21, Care Concern, Stocks Hall, Southport & District Palliative Care Team, Cardiac Nurse, Marie Curie, Skelmersdale District Nurse Team and Queenscourt Hospice At Home for their support, friendship and caring assistance to Rodd and the family. To Rev Tracey McLoughlin for her kind ministrations and Skelmersdale Funeral Service for the dignified funeral arrangements.

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Danielle Lisa Keats

14th September

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Congratulations sweetheart. Wishing you the very best on your special day.
Lots and lots of love
Mum, Dad, Paul, Nana and Grandpops and family
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THANKS

Margaret Flack

Thank you to my family who planned and paid for my wonderful 80th Birthday party.

Thank you to all who attended for helping to make it such a special evening.

45318

DEATHS

JACKSON ERIC ALAN

His memory is as dear today, as in the hour he passed away.

Love from
Steven, Ann,
Deborah,
Andrew & Matthew.

45768

DEATHS

BALL LESLIE (LES)

September 1st 2015

Aged 62 years.
Peacefully at home with his family by his side.

Beloved husband to Maureen, much loved dad to Martin, Tony and Colin and their partners Cath, Nikki and Jen, loving grandad to April. Les will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Service at St. John's Parish Church, Crossens on Tuesday 15th September at 10.30am followed by committal at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Queenscourt At Home. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport PR8 5AW. Telephone: 01704 500086

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Garner David

3rd September 2015
Peacefully in hospital after a long illness, aged 68 years

Loving husband of Barbara, devoted dad of Andrew and Michelle, cherished grandad of Chris, Amanda and Katie, dear brother of Thomas and a much loved uncle and brother-in-law. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral service will take place at St Pauls Church on Tuesday 15th September at 1.45pm followed by committal at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please by request, donations if desired for Cancer Research UK. All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel 01695 559868.

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HARRISON MARILYN MARGARET

30th August 2015
Aged 68 Years.
Unexpectedly in hospital.

Beloved wife of Clive, loving sister and devoted aunt. Marilyn will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral Service at Ainsdale Methodist Church on Thursday 10th September at 10:30 am followed by committal at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being gratefully received for S.O.R.T and Medical Day Unit Trust Fund. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 82 Station Road, Ainsdale, PR8 3HW. Telephone: 01704 577786.

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DEATHS

HORROCKS Maureen Ann

August 19th 2015

Aged 72 years.

Peacefully in Southport Hospital. Beloved wife of the Adam Arnold Horrocks. Maureen will be sadly missed. Graveside Service at Duke Street Cemetery on Friday 11th September at 2.00pm. Flowers welcome. All enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport, PR8 5AW. Telephone 01704 500086

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NORMAN JOSEPHINE JULIA

25th August 2015

After a long illness, peacefully in hospital, aged 69 years

Devoted wife of the late John. Sister-in-law of Anne. Jo will be sadly missed by Carole, Janine, Cassie and her other friends. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Monday 14th September 2015 at 3.20pm. No flowers please, but donations for The Greyhound Trust are being gratefully received. Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU
Tel 01704 897770.

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White Kevin

Passed away on 28th August 2015

Aged 77 years

Beloved husband of Rosaleen. Much loved dad of Claire, Susan and Fiona. Cherished grandad to all of his grandsons. Funeral service to take place at St. Annes R/C Church, Ormskirk at 12.45pm on Friday 11th September 2015. Followed by private family committal at Southport Crematorium. Full flowers please and donations if so desired to Parkinsons UK. For further enquiries please contact Hunters Funeral Directors 128b Burscough Street Ormskirk. L39 2EY. Tel 01695 572997

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DEATHS

SMITH SHEILA

4th September 2015, after a short illness, peacefully in hospital, aged 77 years

Dearly beloved wife of the late John Smith. Much loved mum of Colin, Brian, Derek and the late Susan. Dear mother-in-law of Julie, Debi, Niki and Steven. Devoted grandma of Robert, Daniel, Becky, Jack, Rory, Megan and Rhys. Sheila will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral Service will take place at Drummersdale Mission on Tuesday 15th September 2015 at 11.00am followed by Committal at Southport Crematorium at 12.40pm. Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel 01704 897770.

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DOVER VERONICA (RONNIE)

Passed away on 27th August 2015

If roses grow in heaven, Lord please pick a bunch for me, place them in my sisters arms and tell her they're from me, tell her that I love her and miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while, because remembering her is easy, I do it every day, but there's an ache within my heart because I am missing her today. My lovely big sister and very best friend you were always there for me, good night and God bless.

Brokenhearted sister
Lucy

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RIGHT Jean Margaret

August 27th 2015

Aged 89 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Margaret and sister, Kathryn.
The Funeral to celebrate Jean's life will take place at Southport Crematorium on Monday 14th September at 11:20am. Black not compulsory.

The family respectfully ask that any donations in lieu of flowers are sent for Arthritis Research UK to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport 01704 500086.

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DEATHS

JACKSON ERIC ALAN 45767

3rd September
Aged 59

Your wings were ready, my heart was not.

Love you always,
your loving sister
Joy, Peter, Tracy, Karen and families.

Edwards Patricia

30/08/2015

MUM

Mum, miss you and love you always, gone but not forgotten,
Daughter Sheila
and family xxxxx

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Edwards Patricia Mary

30th August 2015
Peacefully in hospital aged 82 years, of Skelmersdale

The dearly loved wife of Jim, loving mum of Pat, Mark, Sheila, Derek and Jonathan, a dear mother in law and devoted grandma to all her grand and great grandchildren.
"Always in our hearts and thoughts. Never forgotten."
Funeral service at Southport Crematorium on Thursday 10th September 2015 at 10.40am. All enquiries to H Hardman & Co., Independent Family Funeral Directors of Skelmersdale.
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PAT LOHMAN

(Nee Shaw)

2nd September 2015
surrounded by her family

Heaven has a new angel

Loving wife to Jim, mother to Dawn, Denise and Alvin. Loving grandmother and great grandmother.

You're in our hearts and minds and you'll never be forgotten.

XXX

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DEATHS

Moon John Stuart

27th August 2015

Aged 82

The dearly loved husband of Jean,
Loving dad to son Ian
And devoted grandad to all grandchildren
And great grandchildren.

God took you into his arms,
he saw you needed rest,
his garden must be a beautiful place,
for he only takes the best.

Service at Thornton Crematorium on Wednesday 9th September at 10.40am. Family flowers only but donations are being gratefully accepted for The British Heart Foundation.
For all enquiries and donations contact Graham J Clegg Telephone 0151 520 3330.

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Moon John Stuart

27th August 2015

Aged 82

Dad, we cannot bring the old days back,
your smile we cannot see,
we can only treasure memories,
of days that used to be.
Goodnight Dad.
God Bless.
Heartbroken Daughter
Deborah,
Grandchildren Jasmine and Elliot
XXX

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Moon John Stuart

27th August 2015

It seems very hard dad, to believe that you are gone,
you will always be here with us,
in our hearts to remember.
Laugh and cry at all the good times we shared.

We will never forget you.

Heartbroken Daughter
Suzanne, Son in Law
Martin, Granddaughter
Rachel
X XX

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Announcements

PRAYER

PRAYER TO OUR LADY

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendour of Heaven.

Blessed Mother of the Son of God.

Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity.

Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me you are my mother.

Oh Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth.

I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in this my necessity.

(mention your request here).

There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times) Amen.

Holy Mary I place this prayer in your hands (3 Times) Amen.

P.E.

This prayer is never known to fail if said for 3 consecutive days and publication is promised and done. 45543

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Never known to fail.

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity.

(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times) Amen.

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. **M.D.**

This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published. 45764

PRAYER

GRATEFUL thanks to Our Lady of Fatima. St's Peter, Joseph & Anthony. Favours received. TK (45763)

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Never known to fail.

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity.

(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published. **J.A.**

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Never known to fail.

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity.

(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published. **J.P**

HOLY SPIRIT

You, who make me see everything and show me the way to reach my ideals. You, who gave the Divine Gift to forgive and forget all that is done to me. I, in this short dialogue, want to thank You for everything and affirm once more that I never want to be separated from You no matter how great the material desires may be. I want to be with You and my loved ones in their perpetual glory. To that end, and submitting to God's Holy Will, I ask You

(mention your request).

This prayer must be said for three consecutive days. After the third day the request will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Promise to publish the entire dialogue as a condition of having your request granted.

J.A

DEAR SACRED HEART OF JESUS

In the past I have asked for many favours. This time I ask for one special favour. (mention it)

Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your Father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour, not mine.

Amen

Say this prayer for three days, promise publication and your favour will be granted. Never to be failed.

T.C

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(OUTLET LANE, SIMONSWOOD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of Outlet Lane, Simonswood from its junction with Simonswood Lane to its junction with Spurrier's Lane, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:-

Simonswood Lane – A506 Liverpool Road – A506 Cunscough Lane – Spurriers Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable essential carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out

The prohibition will be operative daily from 0800 hours until 1700 hours on Monday 7th September 2015 to Tuesday 29th September 2015, or until completion of the works within this period.

Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/08/15/197/ARH]

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(SQUARE HOUSE LANE, BANKS, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle, from proceeding over the whole length of Square House Lane, Banks, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:-

Aveling Drive – Long Lane – Chapel Lane – Gorsey Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

The prohibition will be operative daily from 0800 hours until 1700 hours on Monday 7th September 2015 to Friday 18th September 2015, or until completion of the works within this period.

Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRT/08/15/203/ARH]

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(THE COMMON, PARBOLD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of The Common, Parbold, from its junction with Tan House Lane to a point outside property number 25, The Common, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:-

The Common – Lancaster Lane – Tan House Lane – The Common and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable new electrical connection works to be undertaken.

The prohibition will be operative from 0900 hours on Tuesday 15th September 2015 until 1530 hours Monday 28th September 2015, or until completion of the works within this period.

Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/15/62/ARH]

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(CHEQUER LANE, UPHOLLAND, WEST LANCASHIRE)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) (No.3) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of Chequer Lane from its junction with Ravenhead Way to its junction with Pimbo Lane, Upholland, West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:-

Chequer Lane - Tower Hill Road - A577 Ormskirk Road - A577 Newgate Road - A577 Windmill Road - A577 Stannanought Road - Ravenhead Way and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

The prohibition will be operative daily from 0800 hours until 2000 hours on Monday 28th September 2015 to Friday 2nd October 2015, or until completion of the works within this period.

Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/08/15/339]

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(OLD MOSS LANE, DOWNHOLLAND, WEST LANCASHIRE)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over Old Moss Lane, Downholland for its whole length, in the borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:-

Old Lane – Black a Moor Lane – B5195 Altcar Lane - B5195 Flatmans Lane - B5195Wood Lane - B5195 Causeway Lane - B5195 Broad Lane - B5195 Lord Sefton Way – A565 Formby By Pass – Moss Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

The prohibition will be operative daily from 0800 hours until 1700 hours on Wednesday 9th September 2015 until Friday 25th September 2015, or until completion of the works within this period.

Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/08/15/198/ARH]

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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2015/0747/FUL Two storey detached dwelling at 23 Small Lane, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2015/0884/FUL Change of use of the barn at Moor Hall, alongside minor ancillary provisions including car parking and landscaping to enable use as a bistro, micro brewery and storage at Moor Hall, Prescot Road, Aughton.
Application No: 2015/0885/LBC Listed Building Consent - Change of use of the barn at Moor Hall, alongside minor ancillary provisions including car parking and landscaping to enable use as a bistro, micro brewery and storage at Moor Hall, Prescot Road, Aughton.
Application No: 2015/0891/FUL Demolition and removal of existing single storey rear conservatory. Construction of 2 no. single storey rear extensions. Removal of existing dormer windows to the rear elevation and insertion of conservation style rooflights. Provide new window to the first floor rear bathroom and block up existing window at Ambrose Cottage, 50 Pimbo Lane, UpHolland, Skelmersdale.
Application No: 2015/0893/LBC Listed Building Consent - Demolition and removal of existing single storey rear conservatory. Construction of 2 no. single storey rear extensions. Removal of existing dormer windows to the rear elevation and insertion of conservation style rooflights. Provide new window to first floor rear bathroom and block up existing window at Ambrose Cottage, 50 Pimbo Lane, UpHolland, Skelmersdale.
Application No: 2015/0898/COU Use of premises as a cafe/bar (Use Class A3/A4) at Hype, Premier House, 17 - 17A Church Street, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2015/0900/FUL Conversion of first floor of existing shop to 9-bed student HMO including new extension at first floor rear at Shoe Zone, 26 Aughton Street, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2015/0908/LBC Listed Building Consent - Insertion of roof light at Owens Farm, Broad Lane, Downholland.

The applications are available for viewing on the Council's web site www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to the Planning Division, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI — Dated: 9th September 2015
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THE THREE cars might as well have been coffin nails. That's the total sum of what Chrysler sold across the UK last month – a distant final blip on the sales chart of a brand that's been axed yet again.

You might have missed that this emblem of American motoring got quietly deleted from the showrooms earlier this year, which is why the three Chryslers sold last month would've been dealers clearing out the last hangers–on now that British sales have effectively stopped. In effect, these three sales are a bit like fingernails that keep briefly growing even after your heart's ticked its final beat.

It doesn't take an automotive coroner to deliver the verdict – what was behind a terminal sales slump was a quartet of not terribly relevant models, two of which were Italian offerings masquerading under an all–American badge. Pop across the Channel and the Delta – actually deleted here last year on account of its dire sales figures – and Ypsilon are better known as Lancias.

Chrysler's other two models are rather more American but even less relevant. I love the 300C's moodiness and mean proportions – it's like a Rover P5 that's been kicked out of school for smoking behind the bike sheds – but its high running costs don't really chime with a Britain reeling from spending cuts. It's the same story with the Grand Voyager. In a world full of Renault Scenics and Vauxhall Zafiras we only need one truly massive people carrier – and it's the Ford Galaxy. So poor Chrysler was stuck with four models nobody really wanted.

The Delta – a rebadged Lancia – was quietly dropped in the UK last year. Code NA

But here's the thing. Sales of sister brand Jeep are up nearly 60% compared to this time last year, and parent firm Fiat is going from strength to strength,having just introduced a new version of the 500. Whether it's a rugged–looking off–roader with real world running costs (the Renegade) or a cutesy city car every twenty–something girl falls in love with (no prizes for guessing that one), both sell relevant cars people want to buy.

The days of cheap–as–chips Neons, Voyagers dominating the school run and Vipers being plastered across bedroom walls seem a very long time ago.

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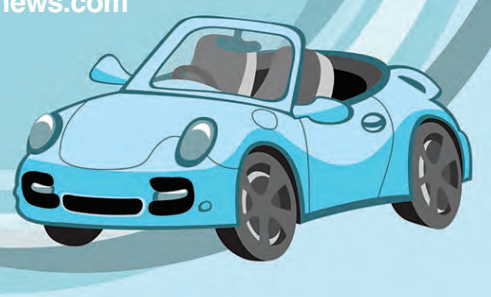

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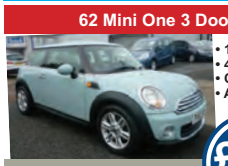

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Charge for Credit	£1,867.60
Finance Facility Fee	£10.00
Purchase Fee	£10.00
Balance of Amount Payable	£10,187.60
Total Amount Payable	£10,542.60
Monthly Payments	60 x £169.46
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Cash Deposit	£995
Total Deposit	£995
Amount of Credit	£10,000
Charge for Credit	£2,250.20
Finance Facility Fee	£10.00
Purchase Fee	£10.00
Balance of Amount Payable	£12,270.20
Total Amount Payable	£13,265.20
Monthly Payments	60 x £204.17
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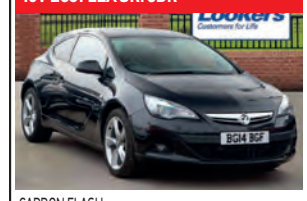

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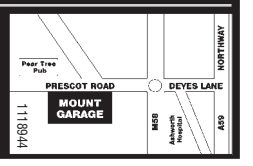

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Linnets go down to only goal of game

Brighouse Town 1
Burscough 0

AFTER a couple of positive results Burscough suffered a setback when they lost a tight encounter at Brighouse Town with a goal from Danny Facey in the 56th minute.

The Linnets having taken four points from their first five games leaving them in 17th place in the table but performances have been good and they are becoming a difficult team to beat which gives optimism they will begin to climb up the league.

Burscough are in FA Cup action away to Alsager Town on Saturday, September 12.

The Linnets then return to league competition when they have home matches at Victoria Park against Harrogate Railway Athletic on Saturday, September 19, kick off 3pm and Droylsden on Tuesday, September 22, kick off 7.45pm.

Burscough midfielder and former captain Chris Tyson has joined North West Counties Divison One club Litherland Remyca. The 33–year–old had been a regular for the Linnets in recent seasons and scored against Warrington Town in August.

• Although the club has struck a shirt sponsorship deal with Mooney Everett Solicitors there are opportunities available for match sponsorship and perimeter advertising. Any local businesses interested should contact commercial manager Callum Hudson on 07879 559095.

Skem turn on the style to win five goal thriller

Tony Rendell celebrates with Dan Mitchley after the Skelmersdale number 9 scored his side's first goal. Picture by Jackson Images.

Skelmersdale United 3
Matlock Town 2

SKELMERSDALE climbed back into the play–off positions after a thrilling victory over Matlock Town.

The game had started promisingly as it was clear from the off that both teams were going for the win.

Despite Skelmersdale hitting the bar with a chance, Town went up the other end in a swift counter attack which saw Holland score to make it 1–0 to the away side.

Skelmersdale had played some top–class football in the first–half and were destined to go in at the break a goal down despite their dominance possession wise.

It took until the 50th minute for Skelmersdale to finally got the breakthrough.

Tony Rendell saw a far post header scrambled off the line and the ball went to Mitchley and with defenders breathing down his neck, he kept his cool and picked his spot in the Matlock goal from about four yards out.

In the 55th minute it was 2–1. A magnificent build–up of at least eight passes resulted in Mitchley setting up Almond.

On the hour it was 3–1 when Louis Corrigan lost his marker and clinically slipped the ball into the net.

In the 63rd minute Matlock pulled a goal back to make it 3–2 and set up an interesting climax to the match but Skelmersdale managed to hold on for the three points.

Skelmersdale manager Tommy Lawson said : "We have been the better side against a team that were equal top at the start of the game and I thought we played some wonderful football at times and were the best team in the first half."

Skem travel to Glossop North End on Saturday for an FA Cup first qualifying round tie. This could be tough fixture for Skem as Glossop are currently riding high in Evo–Stik Division One North with four wins from six league games leaving the Hillmen, who were only promoted from the North West Counties League last season, in second place in the table.

Glossop were finallist in last season's FA Vasem, losing to North Shields 2–1 at Wembley.

Richmond forced to take of share points

Burscough Richmond 2
Askham United 2

UNITED took the lead early in the game when Smithson tucked away an easy chance.

Richmond countered on several occasions but good defending with excellent goalkeeping on the day kept the score 1–0 until the 20th minute.

Mike Galliers received an inch perfect through ball on the edge of the area and rounded the keeper to make it 1–1.

Richmond went 2–1 up with a headed goal by James Hanson before the half time break.

A third goal nearly came five minutes into the second half when a Mike Galliers shot inside the box was well saved by Postlewaite.

Askham scored an equaliser on 63 minutes with a lack of concentration or tiredness by the home side leading to the goal scored by Thompson.

Ormskirk win big but title is taken by New Brighton

Burscough victory seals promotion to First Division

THE Liverpool & District Cricket Competition Premier Division was won by New Brighton on Saturday after 51–run over Leigh.

It means last year's champions Ormskirk will have to be satisfied with taking the runners up spot this time around which they are one win away from achieving after a huge 145 run win at bottom placed Highfield.

John Armstrong (60), George Lavelle (47) and Andy Baybutt (35) helped the visitors to 218–6 dec, with Rob Halliwell taking 3–57. In reply, Jamie Barnes 5–31 and Dane Currency 4–15 helped bowl out the hosts for just 73.

The following day Ormskirk clinched the Ray Digman Trophy in a thrilling final at Colwyn Bay. They won by virtue of losing fewer wickets with the scores tied on 202.

Third placed Northern beat struggling Southport & Birkdale by 5 wickets to at Moor Park on Saturday. S&B chose to bat and were dismissed for 108, with Wim van der Walt (33), Chris Brownlow (28) and Scott Lees (28) the only batsman of note, whilst Ryan Maddock 5–34 and Tom Sephton 4–38 were the pick of the bowlers. In reply, the hosts recovered from 25–3 to 110–5 to wrap up victory, thanks to Maddock (45) and an unbeaten 34 from Karl Garcia.

Northern are away at Birkenhead Park on Saturday.

Maghull remain third in the L&DCC First Division after a home draw against Northop Hall.

The hosts were put in and thanks to Liam Crilly (95), Greg Gillespie (76), Joel Brockley (32) and Paul Walters (27) were able to declare on 244–6. In reply, the visitors hung on for a draw on 214–9, with Ammar Mahmood (53) top scoring, whilst Ryan Swiers took 3–56 and Jack Snowdon 3–71 with the ball.

Burscough recorded a 4 wicket home win over Old Xaverians to clinch the Second Division title. The visitors were bowled out for 154 with number 10 Ian Formby top scoring with 60, whilst Navdeep Aujla took 4–10 and Jon Stone 4–46 with the ball. In reply, Lee Berrie (50) and Ryan Hughes (34) laid the foundations for the hosts to wrap up victory.

Skelmersdale won by seven wickets after dismissing Birkenhead St Mary's for 84 with Muhammed Baig claiming six wickets for 29 and Ben Maddocks three for 22. they are now third from bottom in the table, 18 points above Caldy.

Hightown St Mary's had a thrilling one wicket away win at Alder, who were dismissed for 149 with Muhammad Zahid (45) top scoring, with Paul Jones taking 6–33. In reply, an unbeaten 69 from Kamran Hussain led the visitors to victory.

This weekend's local LDCC fixtures:Ormskirk v Bootle, Hightown St Mary's v Skelmersdale.

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